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Office of Counsel

Via E-Mail: 77960-94260645@requests.muckrock.com

Dear Mr. Lee O'Connor,

This is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated July 25, 2019. Your request was assigned tracking number FP-19-023895. You requested copies of records, photos, maps, and drawings relating to the construction of the Titan I bases in Washington. Specifically, you sought materials located in folders in eleven boxes spread across three accession numbers: 64A-2125, 65A-3184, and 66A-3183. More specifically, you provided the following citations:

- Accession 64A-2125 (1959-1962)
- Box 10 285/53
- Folder 3, Construction at Larson
- Folder 5, CEBMCO correspondence
- Folder 8, Letters re: Larson, 1960
- Box 11 285/53
- Folder 1, Titan I programs
- Folder 5, Construction Operations, 1961
- Folder 8, ICBM 1961, Titan
- Folder 14, Labor relations at Titan I, 1961
- Folder 15, ICBM General, Larson
- Folder 16, ICBM General, Larson
- Folder 17, ICBM General, Larson
- Box 12 285/51
- Folder 2, Larson Construction Reports
- Folder 6, Review of Labor Problems
- Folder 7, Larson Labor Problems
- Folder 11, Accident & Safety Correspondence 1961
- Folder 14, Security Procedures 1962
- Folder 21, Inspections of Titan Construction Sites, 1961
- Box 17 285/53
- Folder 1, Procurement and construction, Larson 1960
- Box 21 285/17
- Folder 9, Fairchild AFB 1960
- Folder 11, Larson AFB 1960, Photos
- Box 22 285/53
- Folder 1, Larson AFB Correspondence, 1960-61

- Folder 8, Larson AFB, 1959
- Folder 9, Larson AFB, 1960
- Accession 65A-3184 (1959-1962)
- Box 12
- Folder 4, Construction at Larson, 1961
- Folder 6, Correspondence at Larson, 1961
- Folder 7, Titan Progress
- Box 15
- Bound 1, Larson Area Office, 1961
- Folder 12, Larson 1961
- Box 31, 285/53
- Folder 23, Larson AFB Correspondence 1959
- Folder 24, Larson AFB
- Correspondence 1961
- Folder 25, Larson AFB Correspondence 1960
- Folder 26, Larson AFB Correspondence 1959
- Accession 66A-3183 (1960-1962)
- Box 17 285/53
- Folder 2, Larson AFB Correspondence 1962
- Folder 3, Larson AFB, Contract and Bidding Documents
- Folder 8, Titan Reference Material 1962
- Box 18
- Folder 1, Accident and Safety 1962
- Folder 9, Memos and Circulars 1961
- Folder 11, Construction at Larson
- Folder 13, Inspection Reports
- Folder 16, Status of Construction

After coordination with our Office of History we determined we have eight of the ten boxes of records that you are seeking. Please note we did conduct our search based on citations you provided, but some of your citations were inaccurate and yielded no results.

Our responsibility is to fulfill your request by conducting a **reasonable** search and make a **reasonable efforts** to provide the requested record(s) in a form that is readily reproducible. FOIA does not require FOIA Offices to do research for you, to analyze data, to answer written questions, or to create records in order to respond to a request. For example three folders that we uncovered in our search are directly responsive to your request: Accession 64A-2125, Box 10, Folder 5 CEBMCO, Correspondence (217 pages; onion skin); Accession 65A-3184, Box 15, Folder 12, Larson 1961 (70 pages; onion skin; mixed sizes); and Accession 66A-3183, Box 18 Folder 1, Accident and Safety 1962 (213 pages; onion and thermal paper; 2-sided docs, 1 booklet). The remaining folders/boxes may have some Titan I records within, but to determine whether each individual document is directly related to your request or Titan I would take extraordinary effort and time.

Additionally, as demonstrated in the above example the records are complex, difficult to review, copy, and are extremely fragile. The complexity of the records coupled with their fragility would make copying the records beyond our obligations under FOIA. Therefore, we invite you or your colleague to visit our Office of History located at 7701 Telegraph Rd., Alexandria, VA 22315. We will be happy to show you the records you requested in person, allow you to review the records, and assist you in safely making copies for your personal possession.

Finally, four boxes related to your request are not within our possession: Accession 64A-2125-Box 12 and Box 17; Accession 65A-3184-Box 31; and Accession 66A-3183-Box 17. We believe these records would likely be held at the Washington National Records Center located at 4205 Suitland Road Suitland, MD 20746-8001.

For any further assistance and to discuss any aspect of your request, you have the right to contact the USACE FOIA Public Liaison at foia-liaison@usace.army.mil or by calling (202) 761-0511. Additionally, you have the right to contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) to inquire about the FOIA mediation services they offer. The contact information for OGIS is: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001, e-mail at ogis@nara.gov; telephone at 202-741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at 202-741-5769.

Sincerely,



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